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CONGRESSMAN PITTENGER ALERTS WAYS & MEANS TO QUESTIONABLE IRS INVESTIGATION OF BILLY GRAHAM

WASHINGTON – Congressman Robert Pittenger (NC-09) had these remarks after learning this morning of allegations that the IRS targeted the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association and Samaritan's Purse.

"Billy Graham's life and ministry have been built upon a bedrock of the strictest ethics and highest moral standards. If these allegations are true that the IRS targeted the BGEA, the IRS should be held accountable for forcing two respected ministries to divert donations to defend a politically-motivated attack.

To help ensure the matter is investigated, I have forwarded Franklin Graham's concerns to the House Ways and Means Committee, who will question the IRS commissioner on Friday.

The recent revelations about the IRS targeting conservative political groups, while giving a free-pass to liberal groups are reprehensible. History has shown that using federal agencies to monitor political enemies has devastating consequences."

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